



THE ENGINEERING SOCIETY  
OF QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY

# COUNCIL MINUTES

Thursday, January 25, 2018  
7:00pm, Dunning Hall 27

Speaker: Jamil Pirani  
Secretary: Isabela Dominguez

*Council begins, 7:pm.*

## I. ATTENDANCE

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Jamil Pirani: Make sure to feel the attendance book and proxy and the end.

## II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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### MOTION 1

Whereas: We've got some stuff to get done tonight!  
& whereas: we need to approve it beforehand;

### BE IT RESOLVED THAT

Council approve the agenda of the Council meeting of Thursday, January 25, 2018, as seen on the Engineering Society website.

Moved by: Alexander "These are getting less and less funny" Clifford  
Seconded by: Jamil "Were you trying to be funny?" Pirani

**Motion passes, (21,0,0);**

## III. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

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### MOTION 2

Whereas: Some things happened last council;  
& whereas: we need to approve them;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

Council approve the minutes of the Council meeting of Thursday, January 11, 2018, as seen on the Engineering Society website.

Moved by: Alexander “Another council” Clifford

Seconded by: Isabela “Another secretary” Dominguez

**Motion passes, (23,0,0);**

## IV. BREAK

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*Council breaks, 7:pm.*

*Council resumes, 7:11pm.*

## V. SPEAKER’S BUSINESS

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Connor Kapahi: I would like to acknowledge that Queen’s sits on traditional Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabe territory.

## VI. RECTOR PRESENTATION

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Rector candidates:

Jake Roseman, Alex da Silva, Afsheen Chowdhury

Questions:

Nat Wong: How are you going to represent and advocate engineering students?

Jake: Figure out what they want and how to make it better. Get upper level of organization.

Alex: Listening, reaching out in societies. Use personal experiences.

Afsheen: I have experience in senate and I have experience with working with student body. You are never alone. Listening what people have to say.

Matt Whittle: Pick one of your goals and how to achieve it?

Alex: Breaking barriers by organizing round tables. Rector can bring these ideas.

Jake: Increase international ranking. Decreasing student to professor ratios. Students are increasing and can’t get support. Look at responsible enrollment.

Afsheen: there is a lack of international representation. I am going to work with QUICK and help students get involved in government.

Loralyn Blondin: How are you going to make sure that administration is respecting you?

Afsheen: Humility is one of the most important characteristics. I expect respect back. Listening and humility.

Jake: I have experience with the residence society. I have worked with administration before and it has worked. I addressed alcohol in residence. Open door drinking to promote good drinking habits.

Alex: I am going to bring concepts forward. I worked with administration in the concert for orientation week. Administration respected that I speak on behalf of everyone.

Julianna Jeans: How do you plan to facilitate transition to a new principal?

Alex: By looking for assets of transparency. Start off by looking for a principal. Students need to know what they are doing. Instead of just hearing about him certain times.

Afsheen: Accessibility is very important. Current president can be tracked. The senators know what is happening. How to increase accessibility for president.

Jake: To transition with new principal we have to speak with students about the previous president. Current president has not been a success. Create value for students. Filling him/her with students voice.

Final presentation

Jake: Thank you, I worked in a law firm and realized that needed to get more involved and this is what I'm trying to do. You can find more information about my platform online.

Alex: Thank you, engage more in my platform. Ask questions applicable for you. Might not be a priority but make sure that things in the long term happen.

Afsheen: Thank you, take away what spoke to you. Feel your passion people will support your passion. That's what I'm doing while running for rector.

## VII. SPEAKERS MOTION

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Jamil Pirani: With elections coming up these are the exceptions that have been done to the roles that candidates currently have:

Liam Tharp can continue to be an icon.

Samuel White is not allowed to interview with FREC committee but can do everything else.

Michael will continue with Engvents.

Carson will have a meeting about OC.

Jamil Pirani: Sign attendance book

## VIII. NEW BUSINESS: MOTION 3

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### MOTION 3

Whereas: EngChoir has been growing more and more as a club;

& whereas: they want to become officially ratified with us;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

Council ratify EngChoir as an Engineering Society club, within the portfolio of the Director of Events.

Moved by: Monet "Do a deer, a female deer" Slinowsky

Seconded by: Milena "Re tification for us" Stevanov

Monet Slinowsky: I am the director for Engchoir. Engchoir has been existing for over a year, with more than 20 people. We performed at wellness week. We have more exciting activities. We want to have an interaction with people outside of academics. We sing a variety of music. We create a sense of community.

Ryan Kwast: I think this is a great club. I like how anyone can join. Everyone who believes they can sing, can sign. Little thing that I want to change from charter is language from his/her to their but other than that is fantastic.

Andrew Farley: Why do you want to become part of Engsoc?

Monet Slinowsky: Basically, logistically we want a bank account and an email. We collect membership fee and having a bank account will be great. We want to be part of Engsoc instead of just flying around.

Felix Leclair: What's your opinion between bohemian rhapsody or pop?

Monet Slinowsky: Heated question but bohemian rhapsody.

Oliver Austin: Elaborate on membership fee

Monet Slinowsky: The membership fee is \$10 per semester for buying music, pay for music and an accompany and a keyboard. Also for expenses. We can work with people who can't pay for it. More can be seen in the charter.

Follow up in gender language. This is a friendly amendment.

**Motion Passes, (20,0,0) 7:52**

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#### MOTION 4

Whereas: This award was discussed at length at last council;

& whereas: some changes have been made to the wording;

& whereas: we're going to give it another go;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Council approves the changes to ByLaw section 17, as seen in APPENDIX

TAKETWO.

Moved by: Taylor "back to back" Sawadsky

Seconded by: Matt "took a break from it now were back to that" Whittle

Taylor Sawadsky: Thanks for having me back, this is a revision from last council. We want the award to accomplish many areas other than just one area of advocacy. Individuals will be having by a range of backgrounds instead of just a couple.

Matt Whittle: Request that anyone who wants to view look at it on the website.

Ryan Cattrysse: Go to council email.

Carson Cook: You can request desktop size in mobile.

Ryan Cattrysse: Thank you for everyone who worked in the award. Just looking at other awards and bylaws. This award is very general. Other awards have more criteria. It may be good to add one or two more lines to help get a better idea of who to nominate. I find it very broad. It could be more specific.

Max Berkowitz: Question for Taylor, you put a lot of work in this. There are a range of opinions. After this, do you feel like it represents the intention of what the previous dean did for us. Do you feel like this still represents it with an adequate degree?

Taylor Sawadsky: We expanded the scope, I still feel I am honoring the previous dean.

Loralyn Blondin: Needs grammatical things but the thought of it is good.

Taylor Sawadsky: thank you, I want to see this award coming forward.

**Motion Passes, 8:00**

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## MOTION 5

Whereas: We passed the first reading of these By-Law changes at last council;  
& whereas: With By-Law comes policy;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

Council approves the second reading of the changes to ByLaws 2, and 8, and policy section β as seen in APPENDIX OUTREACH.

Moved by: Jordan "All The" Pernari

Seconded by: Nat "Small Things" Wong

Jordan Pernari: Follow up from last week, everything is pretty much the same.

Jamil Pirani: Council approves reading

No abstentions.

Motions passes

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## VII. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

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### I) PRESIDENT

Nat Wong: Everything is mostly in my report, we are working in frosh week registration. Remember to vote. Director application are up, and you can apply for 2.

*Council sings the engineering hymn.*

### II) VICE PRESIDENT OF OPERATIONS

Jill Reid: Mostly all of it in the report. Upgrade phones and get rid of phones we don't use and save some money.

### III) VICE PRESIDENT OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

Julianna Jeans: Everything is in report. But pay attention in the clubs section, we have a lot of clubs listing in there. Some of them we have never heard of. We had no paper trail connected to clubs in report. If information is known I will not take them out. Please let me know if anyone has a problem with any clubs in the report or knows something about them.

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## VIII. DIRECTOR REPORTS

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### I) ACADEMICS

### II) COMMUNICATIONS

Julianna Jeans: Alice has been doing a great job with communications working on elections.

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### III) COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The winter fix and clean is this weekend. We still have a lot of spots to volunteer. We are also organizing a team for hockey.

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### IV) CONFERENCES

Aidan Thirsk: Everything is in the report. Innovation conference went very well. Certain applications are out and two conferences are coming up this weekend.

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## V) DESIGN

Oliver Austin: Everything is in report. Met with past director and think of what we'll do in the future, I will keep you updated.

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## VI) EVENTS

All there in the report but Engweek was huge. Thunderballs will be next week along with another activity.

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## VII) FINANCE

Sarah Rhodin: It's in the report.

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## VIII) FIRST YEAR

Nat Wong: Nick has a flu. Everything is in his report.

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## IX) HUMAN RESOURCES

Nat Wong: Director applications are out as well as Engquest.

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## X) INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Jill Reid: There's a networking workshop in C++. Look in the website. They build a new server.

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## XI) INTERNAL AFFAIRS

Alexander Clifford: I did stuff, I'm going to be doing stuff. Elections will be next week, party at Clark in the 30<sup>th</sup>. Will send invites. Banquet is the 24<sup>rd</sup> of march. Mark it down in your calendars.

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## XII) PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Hannah Cameron: Thank you for coming out to our event. We had a 50,000 dollar donation on the spot. Coming up we have a focus group: breaking barriers. Sixteen female identified students looking for women in STEM.

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### XIII) SERVICES

As usual no change. Manager applications are coming up.

## IX. QUESTION PERIOD FOR ED TEAM

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Felix Leclair: When are Thundrballs sign up closing?

Nat Wong: sing up closes next Friday.

Carson: There is going to be a Director of PD go into networking event

Hannah Cameron: Running workshop about IT and government and the cloud. You should all come.

Beshid Behrouzi: For Hannah what's the audience for breaking barriers

PE coming to do a focus going across Ontario to get perspective to how improve life for engineers.

## X. FACULTY BOARD REPORT

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Matt Whittle: I took notes for meeting but forgot them. The associate dean of graduate research showed research with graphs. The graph showed rates of post grad enrollment in past ten years. Some of them are increasing. I have notes. Bryan Frank is in sabbatical. There's a new intern.

## XI. ALMA MATER SOCIETY REPORT

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Andrew Farley: They went through elections. We didn't get to ask questions about platforms. They didn't campaign. A lot of fees are approved, the bus will go from \$60 to \$90 fee.

Sam Roper: Candidates were asked their disciplines.

Juliana Jeans: A full time employer in AMS needs to take less than 9 credits. Need to write letters. They were losing money. Poor retention rate.

Ryan Cattrysse: Housing is happening through another part of AMS. We will still have people cleaning just not in the summer.

Felix Le Clair: Interviewers are not allowed to ask you about how many credits you have. So people are not discriminated.

Matt Whittle: Bryan Frank was replaced by another prof. Dean is stepping down, she's a physics prof. She's teaching 182. CAB, said you don't go to 12 weeks of class. Dean is not worried. Engineering courses are weirdly added up in solus. We are still going to graduate but units don't add up to 12. They are looking to introduce third year course in ethics due to this. They don't have solid ideas yet though. Don't worry. If you are in apple or in ECE. We had a course last year and the prof didn't have a professional engineer title. So, they are going to see that profs are actually Canadian engineers. Graphs were weird as Matt said and were not very important.

## XII. SENATE REPORT

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Max Berkowitz: not much has said.

## XIII. ENGINEERING REVIEW BOARD REPORT

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Shannon Dickson: We looked everything that came from council and looked great.

## XIV. ADVISORY BOARD REPORT

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Jillian Reid: We met last week and we are going to meet next week, we need a report for sci formal.

## XV. EQUITY OFFICER REPORT

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Loralyn Blondin: We are going to Queen's equity conference. This portfolio is new and is very interesting. If you have any ideas about implementing this new role let me know. There are going to be changes to the website to make it more equitable.

## XVI. CLUB REPORTS

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### I) GEOLOGICAL

Sterling Mitchell: We won sequel in basketball, lots of fun.

Open house is January 31<sup>st</sup> .

Sweaters are out and are great.

There are going to be drones in open house.

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### II) CIVIL

Nothing is going on, we are planning the open house. We are looking for new things to get involved in

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### III) CHEMICAL

Taking order for merch and the banquet is in March 22<sup>nd</sup> .

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### IV) APPLE MATH

Matt Whittle: Apple is great, getting update from Benji. We finished townhouse and had lots of feedback. There's nothing planned that I have heard.

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## XVII. YEAR REPORTS

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### I) SCI'18

Loralyn Blondin:

To all disciplines, let people in club know that we are looking for photos in yearbook. Please make sure to submit yearbook photos. There is going to be an after party planned even if you are not getting iron ring ceremony. Get application for iron ring by February 13. Remember to apply to graduate.

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### II) SCI'19

Kodie Becker: Not much. Merch has been ordered, some stuff is still being debated with suppliers. Sci 19 has planned with nurses to take over in February 15<sup>th</sup>.

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### III) SCI'20

Cooper is busy. He is planning a Clark take over after reading week and a skating day. We are planning basketball game for them as well.

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### IV) SCI'21

Andrew Vasila: We are getting year motto. Year merch is coming out. Website got dropped. Video games was well received. Super semi is coming up and we are planning an all ages.

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## XVIII. STATEMENTS AND QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

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Sophie Campbell: Looking for year exec. If you have any input about your role let us know, Cooper and I will get input.

Matt Whittle: Where are you hosting the all ages?

Nathan Smith: Clark and some other spots.

Matt Whittle: Got to the spot

Ryan Cattrysse: Shout out to election candidates because AMS did not show up.

Julianna Jeans: they had the Q&A at this time.

The meeting was short.

We are taking ideas now, let us know in the sci 18 Facebook page, try not to do a lot of silly things. Share your ideas. Sci 19 still owes us money from the Clark take over.

Andrew Farley: Basketball opponents where good.

Kody Becker: question for Matt Whittle, made a comment about ethics course, they still have something like that for mech, how are they doing it?

Matt Whittle: I don't know but they are looking for 2019 and 2020 to be implement. It'll be like the ethics to 200. They need to shuffle credits around. Not very meaningful.

Felix LeClair: I just got in touch with ECE and one of the clubs is running, QIEEE.

Carson Cook: They have a website.

Jamil Pirani: Vote in January 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> and encourage everyone to vote.

#### MOTION TO CLOSE:

Moved by: Ryan Cattrysse

Seconded by: Andrew Farley

**Motion Passes: (22,0,0)**